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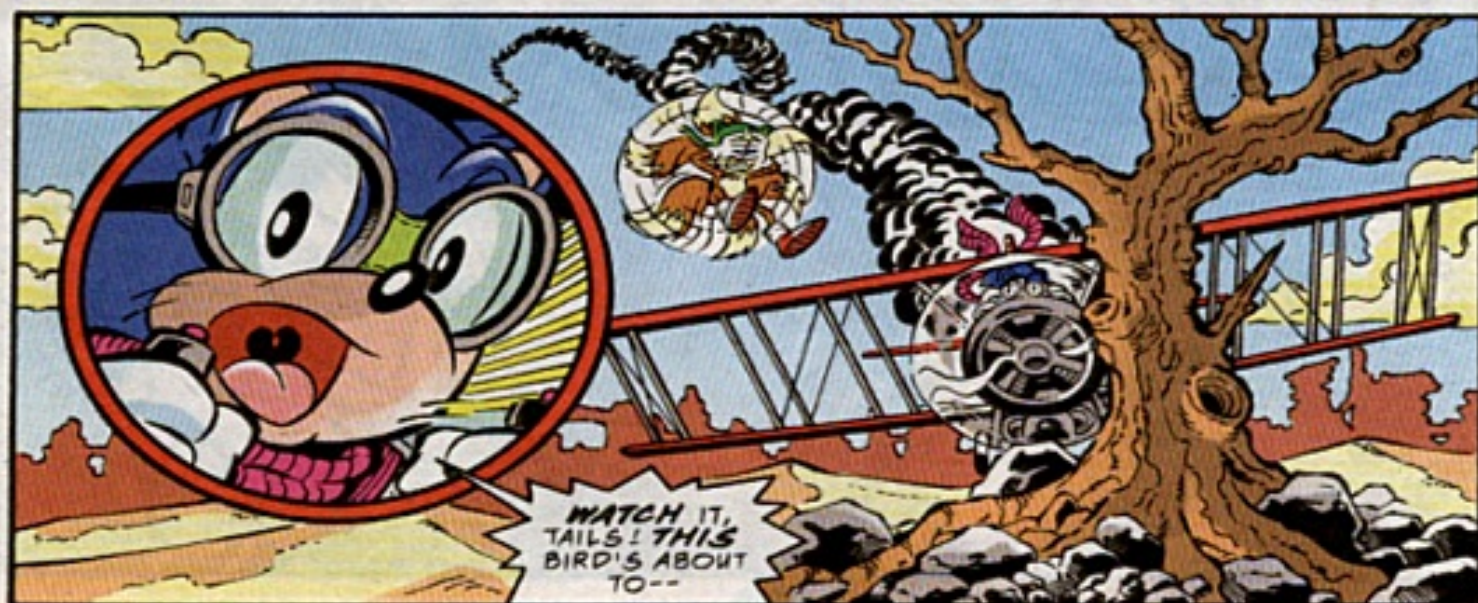
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THE PLANET MOBIUS WAS ONCE A VIRTUAL PARADISE UNTIL IT WAS CONQUERED BY THE EVIL DOCTOR ROBOTNIK! HIS TECHNOLOGICAL TYRANNY WOULD HAVE CONTINUED IF NOT FOR AN HEROIC GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS WHO BANDED TOGETHER AND RESTORED ORDER TO THE KINGDOM OF ACORN! THE BRAVEST AMONG THEM IS A BLUE STREAK FILLED WITH THE MOST ATTITUDE GOING AROUND - - AND, WITHOUT A DOUBT, HE IS THE FASTEST THING ALIVE! ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!





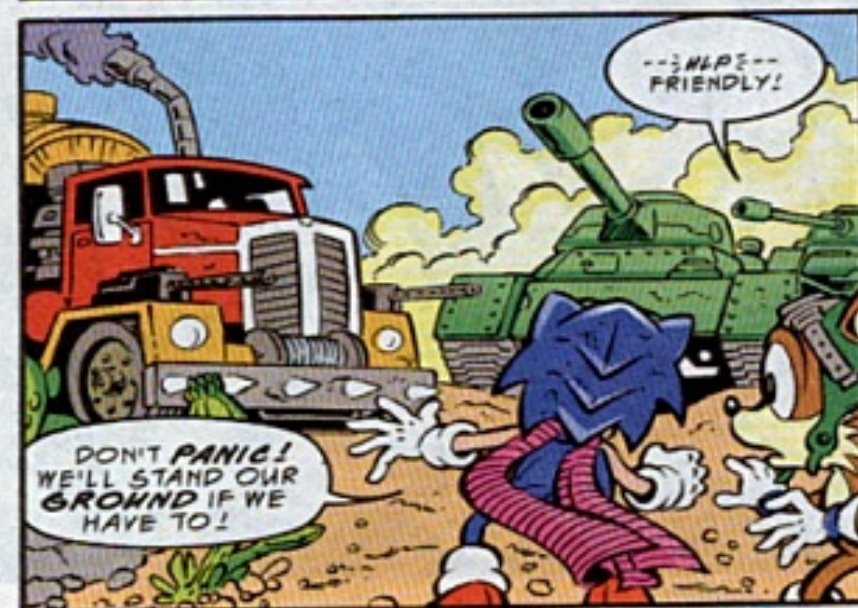
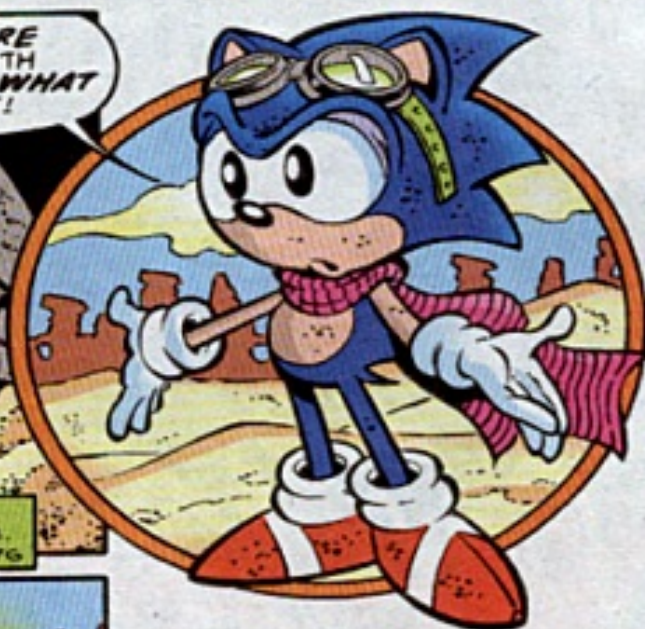
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BEAR TO
WATCH!

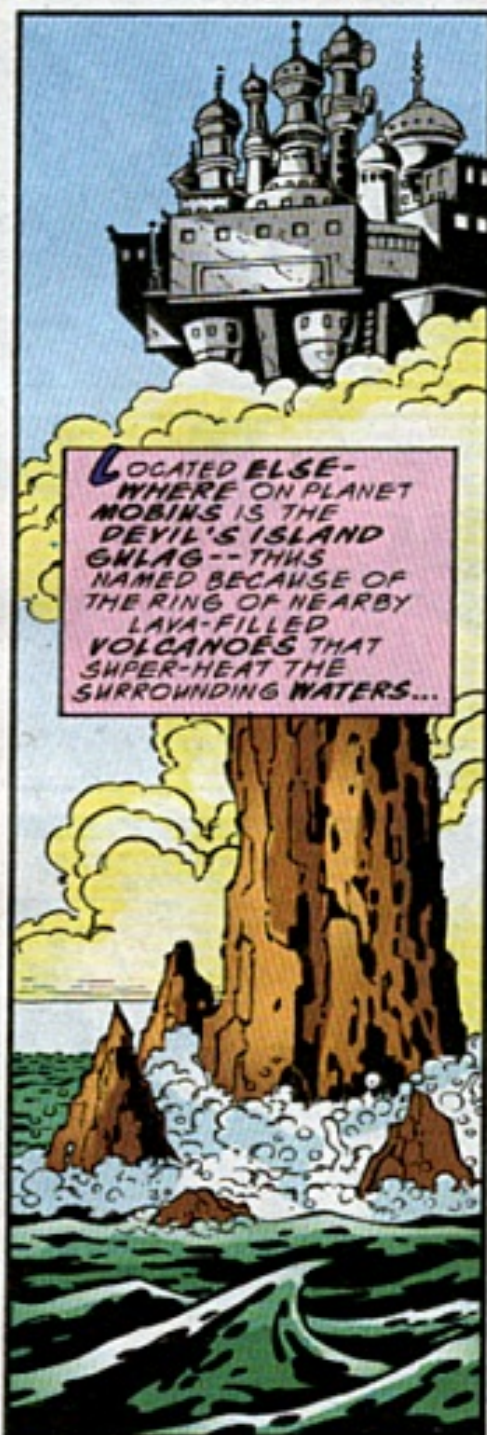
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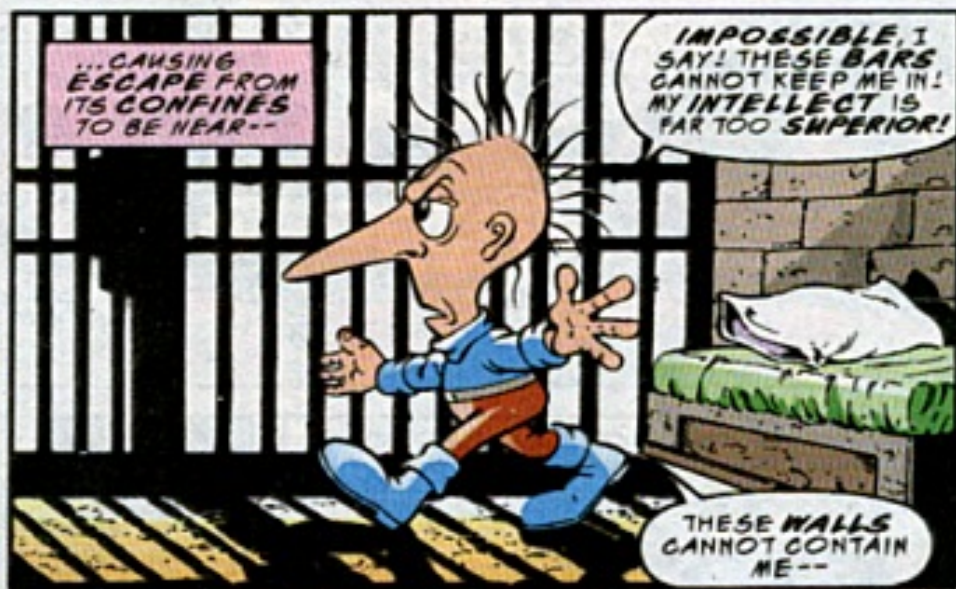
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LOCATED ELSEWHERE ON PLANET MOBIUS IS THE DEVIL'S ISLAND GULAG-- THIS NAMED BECAUSE OF THE RING OF NEARBY LAVA-FILLED VOLCANOES THAT SUPER-HEAT THE SURROUNDING WATERS...



...CAUSING ESCAPE FROM ITS CONFINES TO BE NEAR--

IMPOSSIBLE, I SAY! THESE BARS CANNOT KEEP ME IN! MY INTELLECT IS FAR TOO SUPERIOR!

THESE WALLS CANNOT CONTAIN ME--



BECAUSE YOUR HEAD'S TOO SWOLLEN!

HAHA!

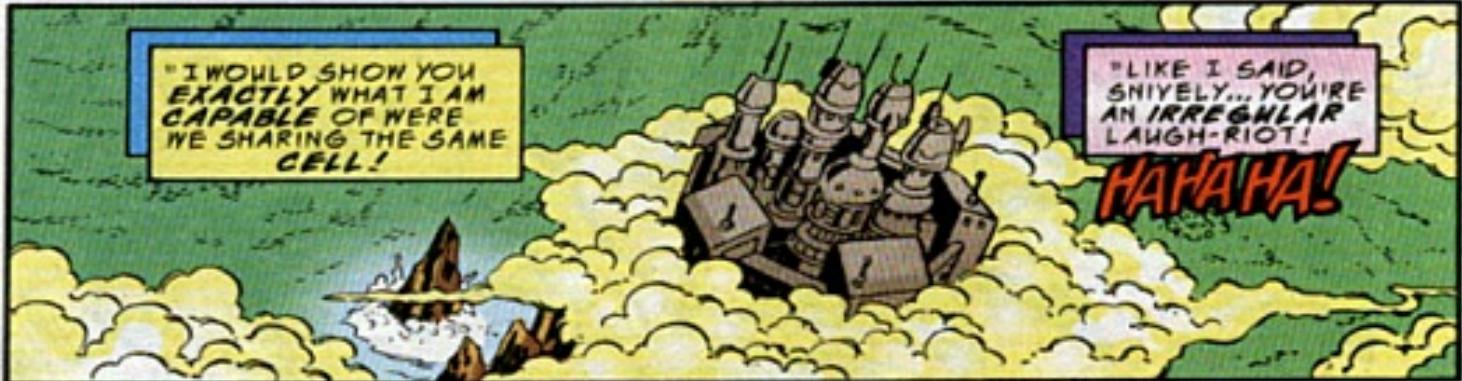
I TELL YA, SNIVELY... I'M CONVINCED YOU WERE WASTIN' YOUR TRUE TALENTS BACK WHEN YOU WERE ROBOTNIK'S FLUNKY!



YOU SHOULD'VE BEEN A STAND-UP COMEDIAN INSTEAD!

MOCK ME IF YOU WILL DRAGO! YOU WILL BE LAUGHING OUT THE OTHER SIDE OF YOUR MOUTH WHEN I AM A FREE MAN AND YOU ARE NOT!

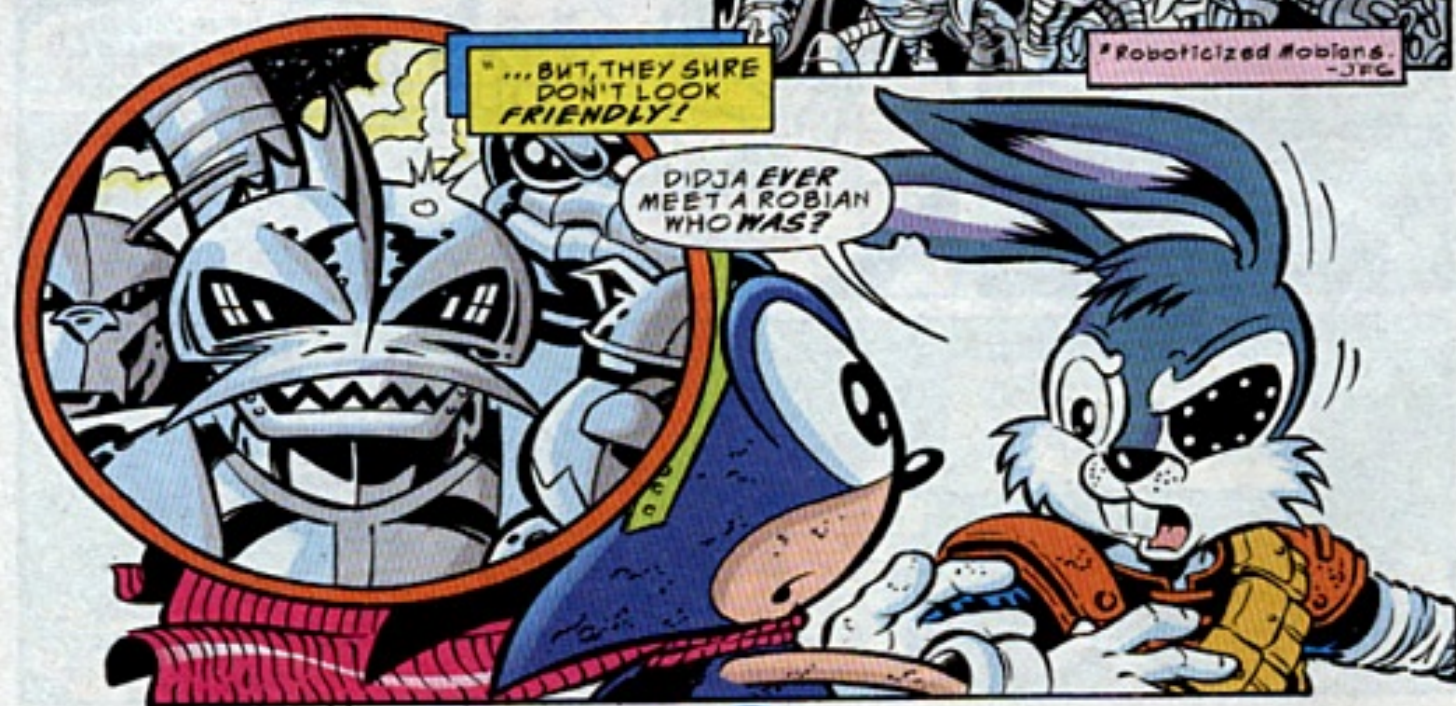
NOT ONLY HAVE I BEEN EXERCISING MY MIND, I HAVE ALSO BEEN DOING THE SAME TO MY BODY!



"I WOULD SHOW YOU EXACTLY WHAT I AM CAPABLE OF WERE WE SHARING THE SAME CELL!"

"LIKE I SAID, SNIVELY... YOU'RE AN IRREGULAR LAUGH-RIOT!"

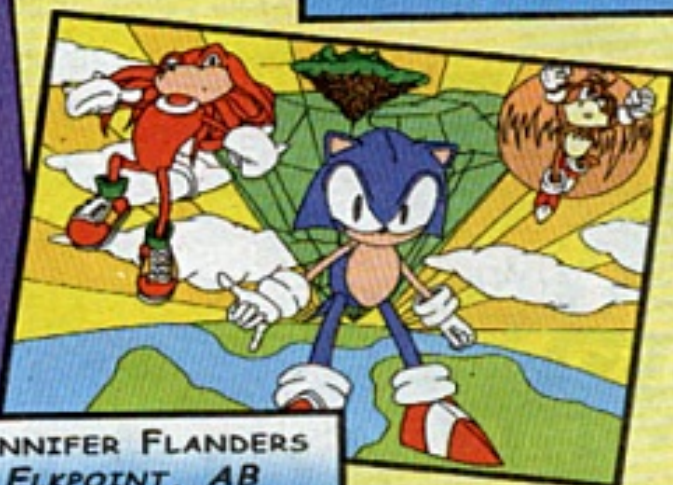
HAHAHA!



FAN ART

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KENNY SHELTON
BATON ROUGE, LA
AGE 8



JENNIFER FLANDERS
ELKPOINT, AB
AGE 15

This is the last time I let
Tails pick out my Halloween
costume!



What are you whining
about? I'm the one
wearing all the face
paint!

THE ECHIDNA
AFFICIONADO

TANYA GAUER
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AGE 9

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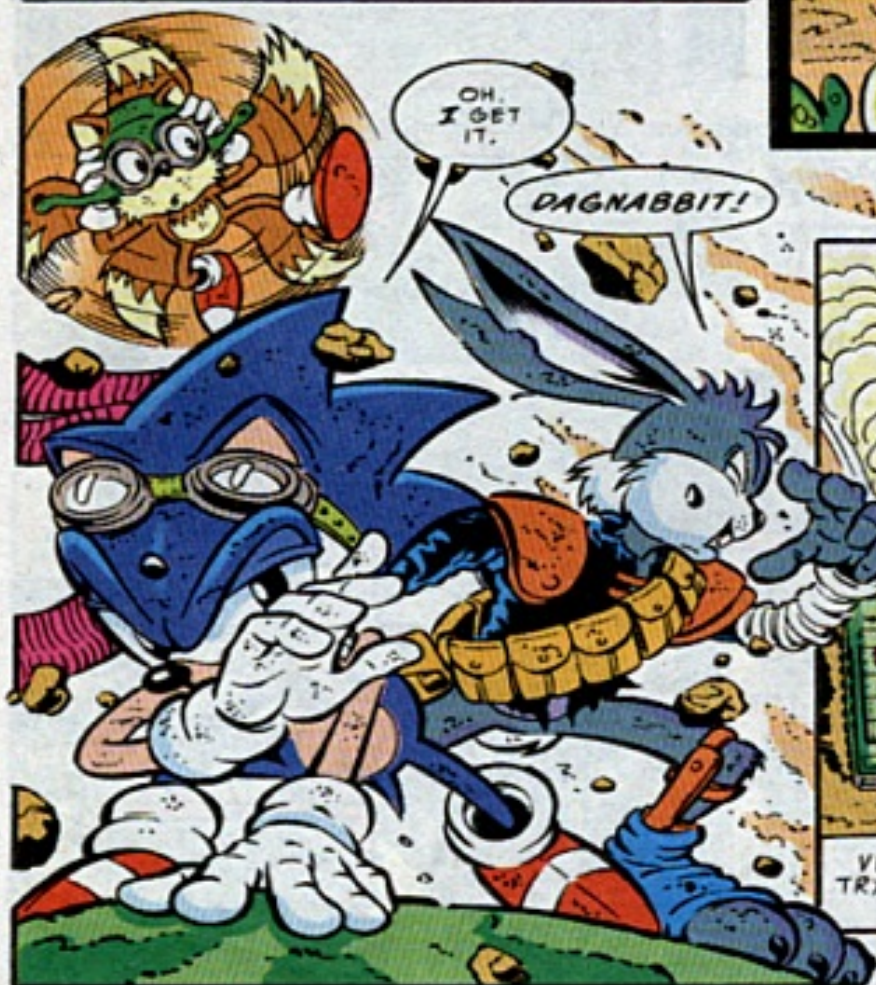


"AS A MATTER
O' FACT..."

...YEAH!"

BUT THEY *SHRE*
DON'T LOOK LIKE *THAT*!
IT'S THEIR *EYES*--
WHAT'S *HP* WITH THE
CREEPY *GLOW*?

* Sonic's parents, as well as
his uncle, are Robians. JFG

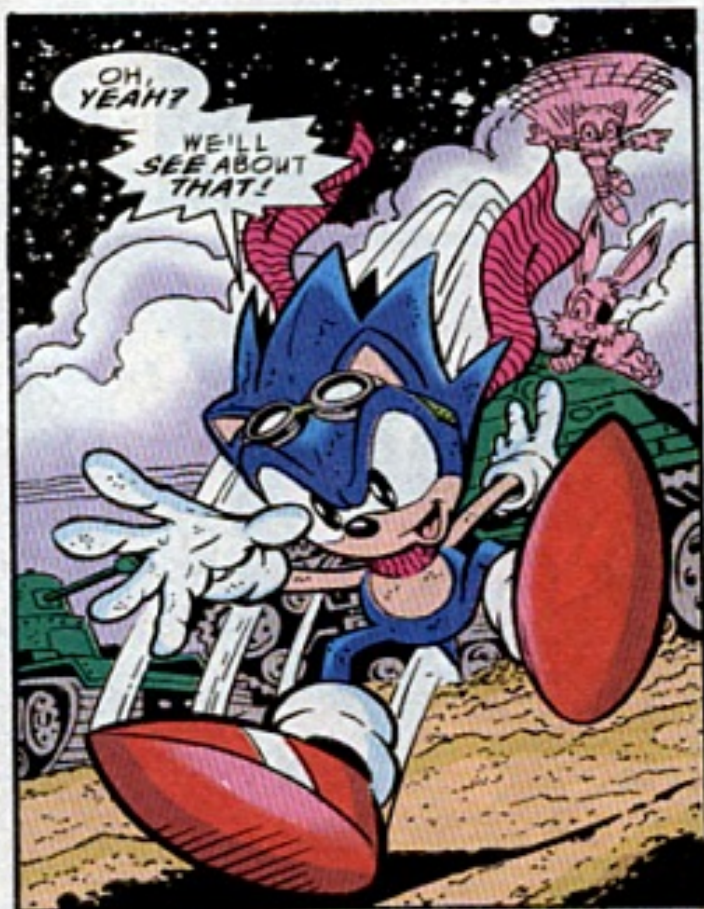


OH,
I GET
IT.

DAGNABBIT!



VEER RIGHT, TEAM! THEY'RE
TRYIN' TO RE-ROUTE US WITH
THEIR OPTI-BURSTS!



OH,
YEAH?

WE'LL
SEE ABOUT
THAT!



"I DON'T
GET IT,
JACK!"



"GET WHAT,
TAILS?"

WELL...



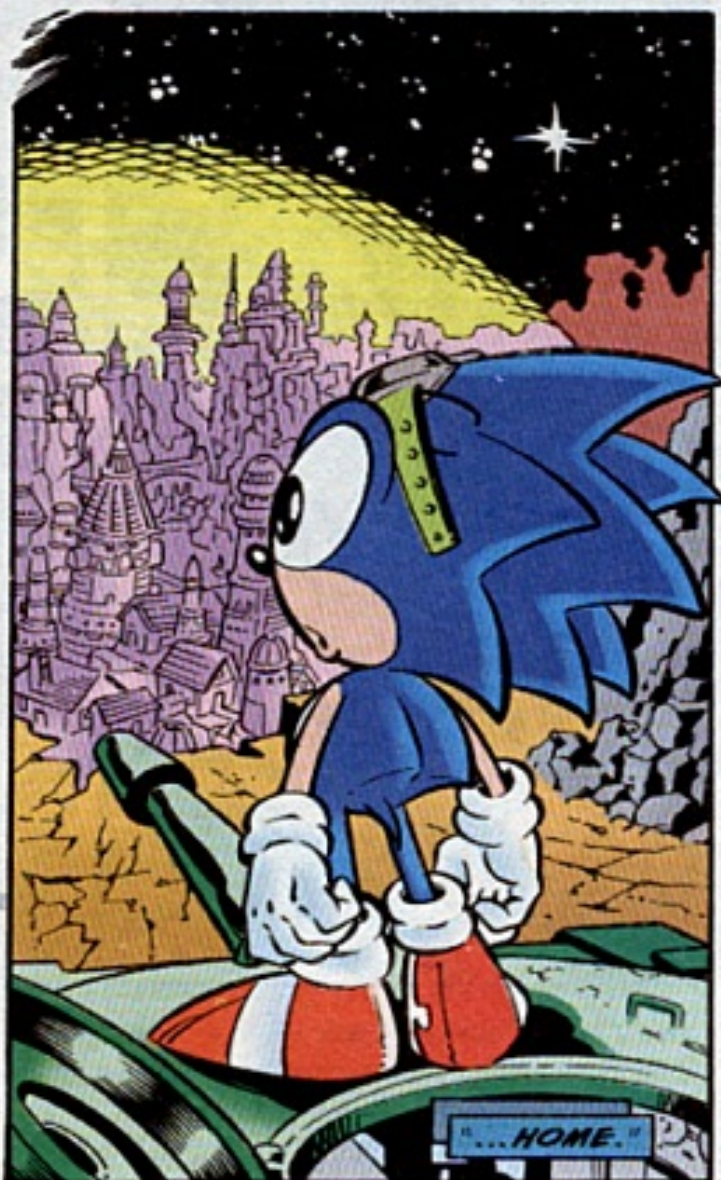
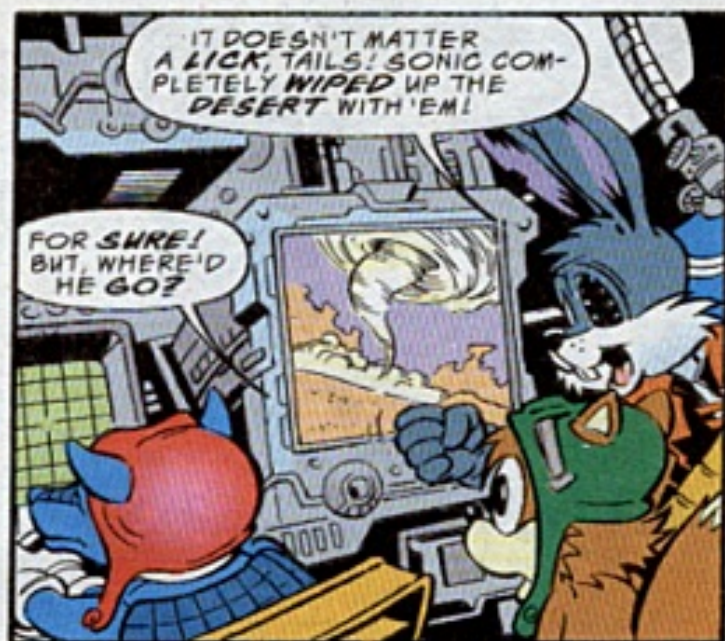
...AFTER WE
DEFEATED DOGROBOTNIK,
ALL OF THE ROBBIANS IN
MOBOTROPOLIS GOT
BACK THEIR FREE WILL...

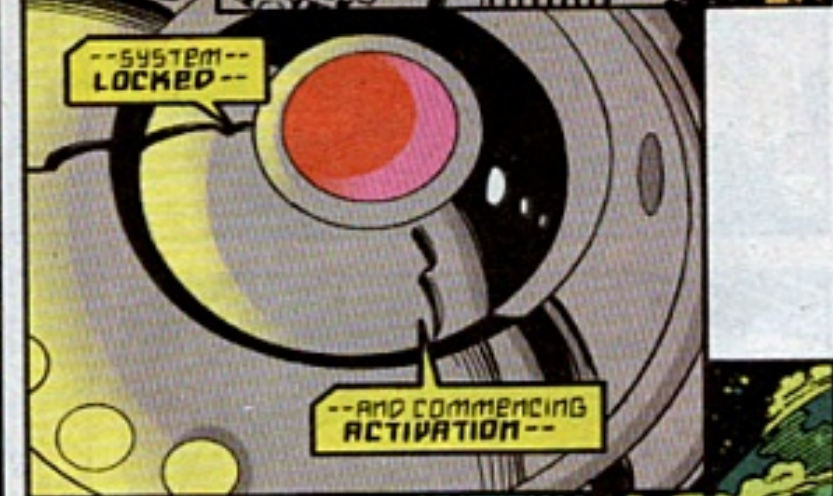


"...CAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO BREAK
HIS VILLAINOUS HOLD ON THEM!"

"THESE GUYS DON'T ACT LIKE
THEY'RE UNDER ANYBODY'S
CONTROL ANYMORE, JACK--"

"--BUT THEY
STILL SEEM
PRETTY
MINDLESS!"





SONIC, WE
CITIZENS O'
SAND-BLAST
CITY...

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CHAPTER 2

...ARE MIGHTY
HONORED TO
HAVE YOU AND
TAILS AS OUR
GUESTS!

AWESOME!

THANKS,
FOLKS!

HURRAY,
SONIC!

THREE
CHEERS FOR THE
HEDGEHOG!

YOU
GOT ME!

WHAT'S THE DEAL,
TAILS? WHAT'D I DO
THAT WAS SO GREAT
--I MEAN, BESIDES
THE USUAL?

SAY, JACK...
ARE WE HEADED
TO A RITZY
HOTEL OR
SOMETHING?

EVEN BETTER!
WE'RE HEADED TO THE
MOST IMPORTANT
SPOT IN TOWN!

WHOA.



THE DEVIL'S
GULAG...

AND AFTER I
ERECT A **STATHE**
OF **MYSELF** AT THE
CENTER OF
ROBOTROPOLIS...

...I AM GOING
TO HAVE THAT **BOORISH**
BLUE HEDGEHOG TARRERED,
FEATHERED...

...AND
THEN TARRERED
AGAIN!

SURE, SURE,
SURE...

...I SAY, IF YOU WERE
REALLY GONNA BUST OUTTA
HERE, SNIVELY...

...YOU WOULD'A
ALREADY DONE IT!
GO AHEAD! MAKE A
BREAK FOR IT-- I
DARES YA!

YEAH! WE ALL DARE YA!
COME ON, SMARTY-SHIRT!

I TRIPLE-
DARE THE
EGGHEAD!

I DOUBLE-
DARE 'IM!

"Gulp"

BZZZ KLAKT

WHUH--?

HE DID IT! HE ACTUALLY DID
IT! WE'RE FREE AT LAST!



SAND-BLAST CITY...

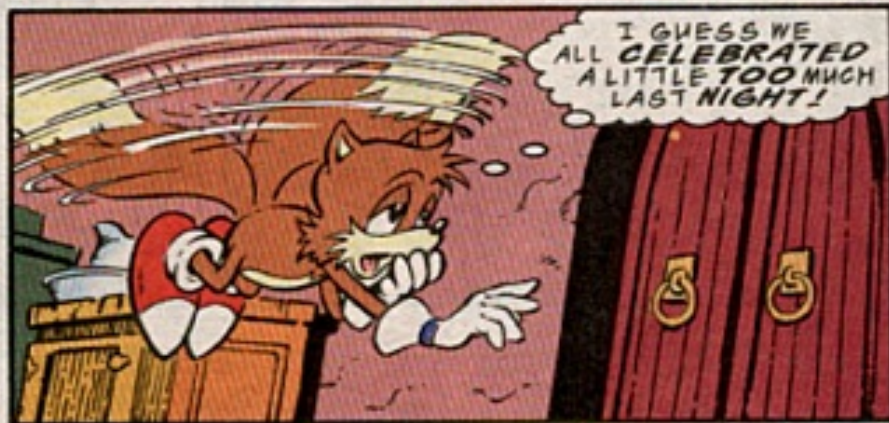


Yawn...



RISE AND SHINE, SONIC!
IT'S A BRAND-NEW DAY!

BOY, HE'S STILL OUT COLD!



I GUESS WE ALL CELEBRATED A LITTLE TOO MUCH LAST NIGHT!

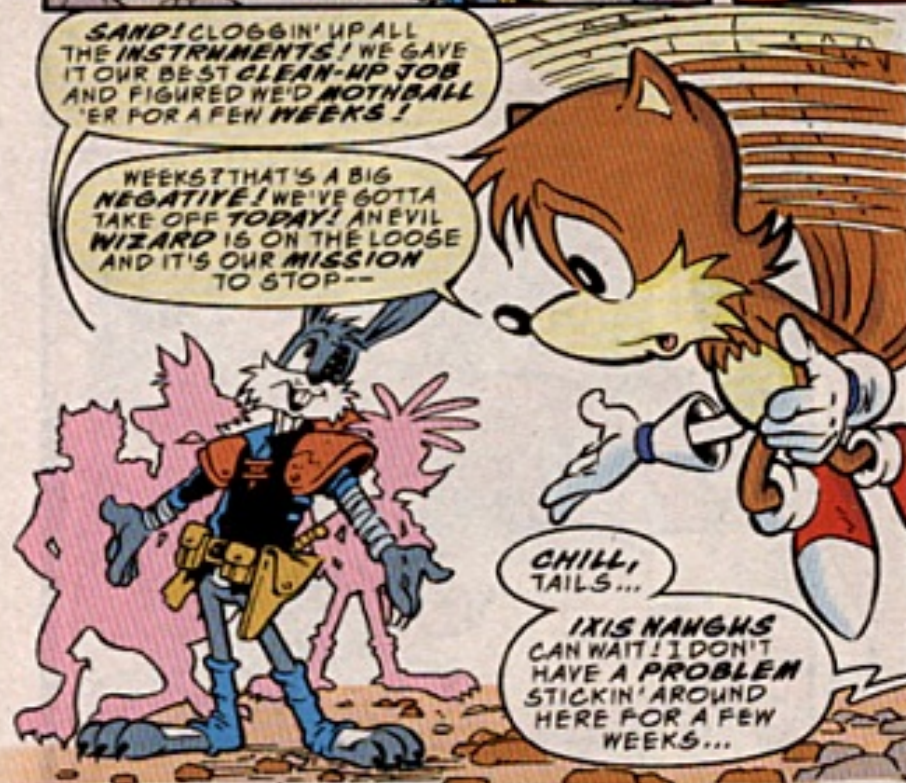


THAT'S STRANGE...

...THE DOOR'S BEEN LOCKED FROM THE OUTSIDE! WE'RE PRISONERS...



...NOT!







PRO ART TO COLOR
by STEVEN BUTLER and PAM EKLUND

Tales of the Freedom Fighters

Presents:

GEORFREY ST. JOHN

**ON HIS MAJESTY'S
SECRET SERVICE**

PART 2

AS HE'S ABOUT TO ENTER HIS
CUBICLE LOCATED INSIDE
THE ARMORY, GEORFREY
ST. JOHN SENSES...

AN
INTRUDER'S
HERE!

IMAGINE
THAT!

SOMEONE
ACTUALLY
CHEEKY
ENOUGH TO
THINK HE
CAN BAG ME
HERE!

PING
PING
PING

K-CHAKT

WHAT
TH--?

NO,
BOMB!
WAIT!

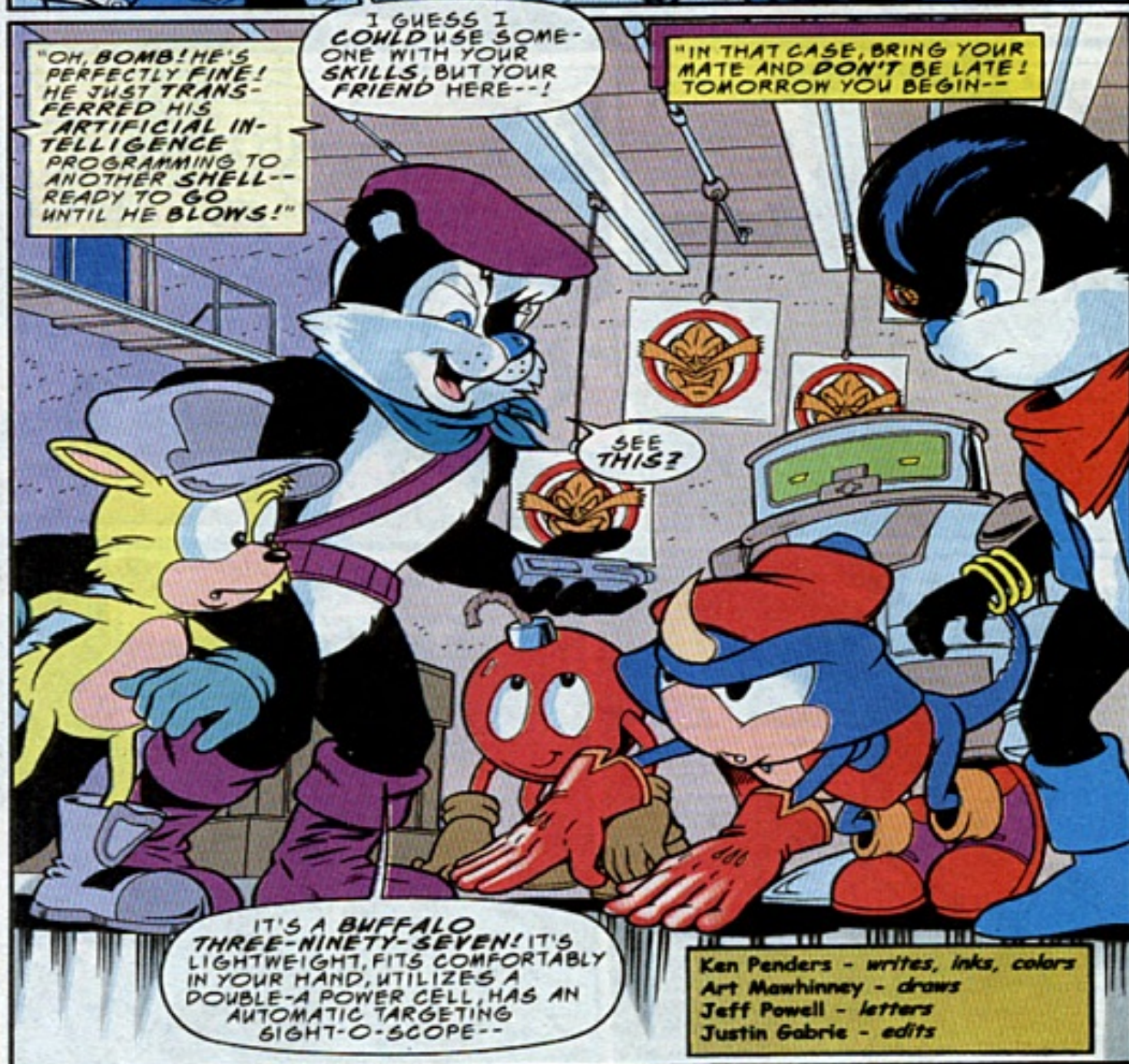
KA-BOOM

WHO THE
DEVIL ARE YOU,
MATE?

DON'T SHOOT,
COMMANDER!
DON'T SHOOT!

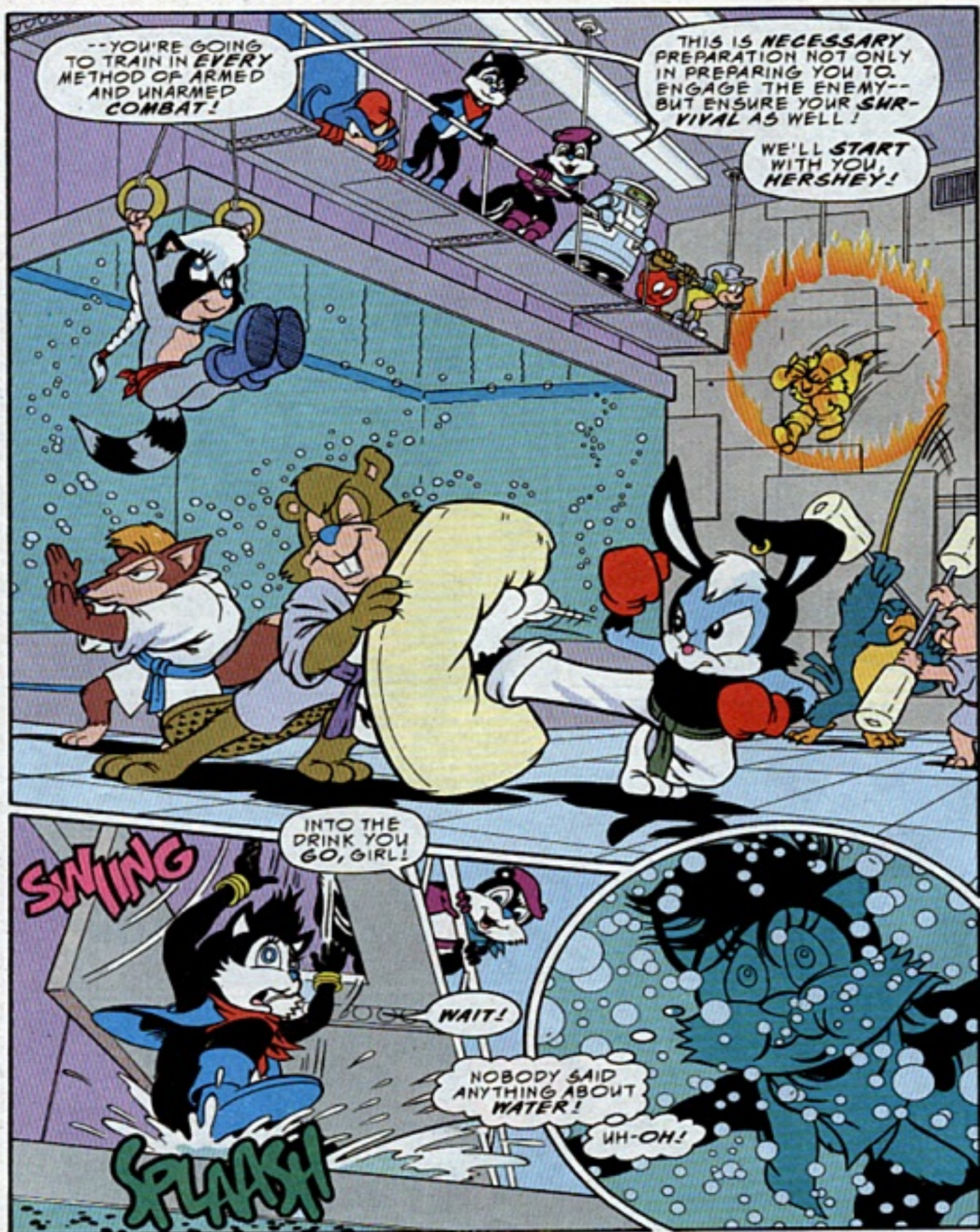
THE NAME'S HEAVY, SIR! BOMB
AND I HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR
SOME PLACE TO FIT IN--AND
YOU'RE OUR LAST HOPE!

ME?



Ken Penders - writes, inks, colors
Art Mawhinney - draws
Jeff Powell - letters
Justin Gabrie - edits





--YOU'RE GOING TO TRAIN IN EVERY METHOD OF ARMED AND UNARMED COMBAT!

THIS IS NECESSARY PREPARATION NOT ONLY IN PREPARING YOU TO ENGAGE THE ENEMY-- BUT ENSURE YOUR SURVIVAL AS WELL!

WE'LL START WITH YOU, HERSHEY!

INTO THE DRINK YOU GO, GIRL!

WAIT!

NOBODY SAID ANYTHING ABOUT WATER!

UH-OH!





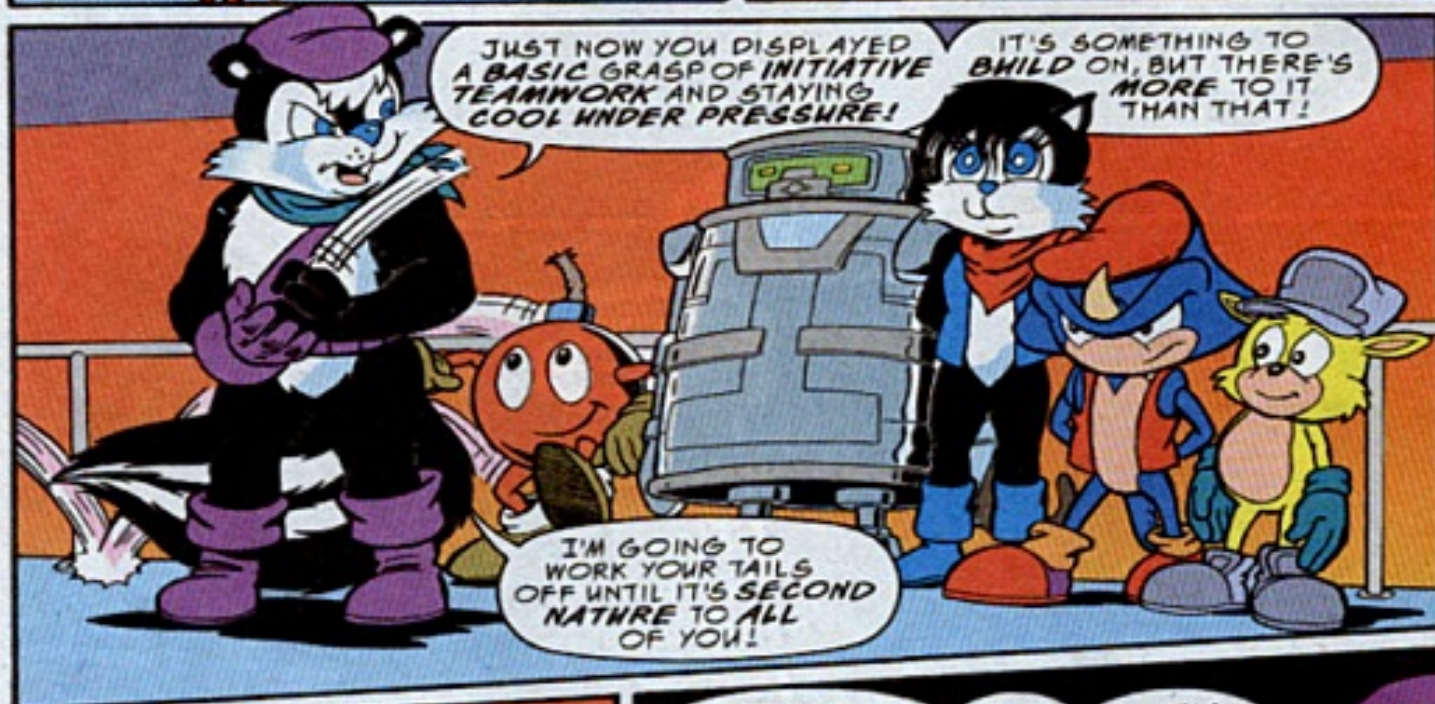
YEECH! WATER AND ME
JUST DON'T MIX!

I'M--NOT
MUCH OF A
SWIMMER--
EITHER!



THEN YOU'LL
LEARN!

WORK ON THAT WHICH
YOU'RE WEAK AT WHILE
REFINING YOUR
STRENGTHS!



JUST NOW YOU DISPLAYED
A BASIC GRASP OF INITIATIVE
TEAMWORK AND STAYING
COOL UNDER PRESSURE!

IT'S SOMETHING TO
BUILD ON, BUT THERE'S
MORE TO IT
THAN THAT!

I'M GOING TO
WORK YOUR TAILS
OFF UNTIL IT'S SECOND
NATURE TO ALL
OF YOU!



YOU'RE A TEAM
NOW! YOU'VE GOT
TO THINK AND ACT
LIKE ONE!

YOUR WELL
BEING DEPENDS
ON THAT ONE
SIMPLE
CONCEPT!



AT EASE FOR
THE NEXT FIVE
MINUTES!

AND
THEN--

--IT'S
BACK TO
WORK!

WHY DO I GET
THE FEELING I
SHOULD'VE STAYED
IN BED?

NEXT: WHAT ELSE BUT--PRACTICE,
PRACTICE, PRACTICE!(IF AT FIRST
YOU DON'T SUCCEED--!)

SONIC-GRAMS

Justin
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Editor

THIS JUST IN!



**SONIC THE
HEDGEHOG #63
ON SALE JULY 1998!**

BREAK OUT!

NEXT MONTH: CAN OUR FREEDOM-FIGHTING DUO ESCAPE SAND BLAST CITY... ESPECIALLY WHEN SONIC SEEMS TO BE ENJOYING HIS STAY HERE? ALSO WITNESS THE VILLAINS OF THE DEVIL'S GULAG CHALLENGE THE PRISON USED TO HOLD THEM. WRITTEN BY KARL BOLLERS. ART BY STEVEN BUTLER AND PAM EKLUND. ALSO IN THIS ISSUE: PART THREE OF ST. JOHN'S "ON HIS MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE." TRAINING BEGINS FOR THE RECRUITS AND PRINCESS SALLY WANTS SOME ANSWERS AS TO WHY SHE'S BEING LEFT OUT OF THE LOOP. AND SHE'S NOT GOING TO GET THEM EITHER... ON THE ORDERS OF KING ACORN HIMSELF. THE MYSTERY DEEPENS. WRITTEN AND INKED BY KEN PENDERS. ART BY ART MAWHINNEY. **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #63 ON SALE JULY 1998!**

IN ONE WEEK: IN ANSWER TO UNENDING

READER DEMAND, WE RESTORED SONIC #50 TO ITS FULL ORIGINALLY-INTENDED DOUBLE-SIZED LENGTH! INCLUDED ARE SCENES SCRIPTED FOR THE FIRST VERSION WITH NO ROOM TO FIT THEM IN. CHECK IT OUT AND EXPERIENCE THE CONCLUSION TO **ENDGAME** THE WAY IT WAS MEANT TO BE PRESENTED.

SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #6: SONIC 50 - THE DIRECTOR'S CUT ON SALE JULY 1998!



**SONIC
SUPER SPECIAL #6
ON SALE JULY 1998!**



**KNUCKLES
THE ECHIDNA #16
ON SALE JULY 1998!**

IN OTHER MOBIAN NEWS... IN TWO WEEKS:

KNUCKLES FINALLY RETURNS TO THE FLOATING ISLAND, ONLY TO DISCOVER THAT THINGS HAVE CHANGED SINCE HE LEFT HOME IN ISSUE #10. ALONG WITH A SURPRISE **KNUCKLES'** MOTHER HAS IN STORE FOR HIM, YOU ARE INVITED TO WITNESS THE SECRETS OF **HAVEN** BEGIN TO UNFOLD AS THE **BROTHERHOOD OF GUARDIANS** GATHERS TO DETERMINE WHAT'S TO BECOME OF **KNUCKLES**. AS FOR **JULIE-SU**, IT SEEMS SHE MAY HAVE A THING OR TWO IN STORE FOR OUR FAVORITE ECHIDNA. WRITTEN BY KEN PENDERS. ART BY MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY. **KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #16 ON SALE JULY 1998!**

IN OTHER SEGA NEWS... IN THREE WEEKS:

ELLIOT AND CLARIS ARE IN TROUBLE: THE SCHOOL IS UPSET OVER THEIR RECENT ABSENCES AND THEY'RE RUINING OUT OF TIME TO SAVE **NIGHTS!** WITH EACH PASSING MOMENT, **NIGHTS**— WHO CAN'T SURVIVE IN THE "REAL" WORLD— IS CEASING TO EXIST, AND **REALA** IS PLANNING A STRIKE AGAINST **NIGHTS'** VERY WEAKNESS! CAN **CLARIS** AND **ELLIOT** SAVE **NIGHTS** FROM EXTINCTION— AND THEMSELVES FROM EXPULSION. BROUGHT TO YOU BY **SONIC REGULARS**, KARL BOLLERS, PATRICK 'SPAZ'IANTE, SAM MAXWELL AND HARVEY MERCADOOCASIO. PLUS CHECK OUT THE COMPUTER-MODELED COVER BY FAN-FAVES **SPAZ/HARVO** AND **HEROIC AGE!** **NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #5 ON SALE JULY 1998!**



**NIGHTS
INTO DREAMS #5
ON SALE JULY 1998!**

CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE!

Justin
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GABRIE

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A comic book cover for 'Nights into dreams'. The character Nights, a purple bat-like figure with a large, bulbous head and a wide, toothy grin, is shown in a dynamic, flying pose. He is wearing a purple suit with yellow and red accents on his chest and limbs. His hands are outstretched, and he is surrounded by a trail of yellow starburst effects. The background features a stylized cityscape with blue and grey buildings, a yellow sun, and white clouds. The title 'Nights' is written in a large, blue, stylized font with a red outline, and 'into dreams' is written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font below it. The entire title is set against a red rectangular background.

Nights

into dreams

CHECK OUT MY BOOK
COMING OUT IN JUNE 1998
STARTING WITH ISSUE #4.

IT'S BEYOND
COOL!

JOIN CREATORS KARL BOLLERS, SPAZI,
SAM MAXWELL AND HARVO! AS THEY
TAKE YOU INTO THE WORLD OF
NIGHTS! PREPARE TO FLY!